



Hearing Monday In FPFA - Town Manager Crisis

Pay Child Fees

The executive committee of the Child Care Cooperative has asked those who plan to send their children to the Center after February 28 to pay their registration fees today, tomorrow or Monday at 14 Parkway Road.

The regular fee equals half a month's tuition and will be refunded at the time of withdrawal. Under the new cooperative plan to go into effect March 1, a minimum withdrawal notice of two weeks will be required.

Those desiring information may call Mrs. Fred McCarthy at 4321 between 7 and 9 p. m., or see Miss Cameron during school hours at 14 Parkway.

Westbrook Booms

Mutual Housing

"Mutual home ownership . . . offers all the advantages of renting plus the solid benefit of owning a rooftop in a perpetually protected neighborhood; no cash down; low monthly payments; the accumulation of an equity; full incentive to maintain the property in good condition; provision for moving readily when there are changes in the family's size or income; and best of all, participation in management." So states Col. Lawrence Westbrook in the February 2 issue of *Colliers* magazine. The entire mechanics of mutual home ownership is explained expertly and without technical fol-de-rol, and Col. Westbrook routs the idea that a large group of people cannot buy and successfully operate a large housing project by citing three instances that have proved successful: Walnut Grove (near South Bend, Ind.), Greenmont (near Dayton, Ohio), and West Acres (near Pontiac, Mich.). He also avers that " . . . the mutual ownership idea has already had a chance to prove itself and it enjoys the support of many labor leaders and industrialists."

Valentine Dance Tomorrow Night

The Greenbelt auditorium will be the scene tomorrow night of the Young People's Valentine Dance, starting at 8 p. m. The decorations will be specially suited to Valentine's Day, and a floor show will be presented at 9 p. m. featuring acrobatic and ballroom dancing. The winner of the two-dollar award for selecting a name for the new youth orchestra will be announced, and there will also be a door prize of one dollar for the holder of the ticket with the lucky number. Admission will be twenty-five cents, and refreshments will be sold. Adult on-lookers are welcome to join the dancing after the floor show.

Housewives Meet

The next monthly meeting of the Housewives club will be held Thursday evening at Mrs. Nettie Gramins' house at 2-S Plateau Place. The main feature of the meeting will be a demonstration by Rachel Garner and Silas Pearson, drug store manager, on the proper use and selection of cosmetics. The meeting starts promptly at 8:30, and members are urged to come early as a very important business meeting will be held prior to the demonstration.

Legion Barn Dance

On Saturday evening, February 16, members and friends of the local American Legion Post will enjoy another Barn Dance with Johnny Walker's Hillbilly String Music. Moderate charges for admission and refreshments will be made and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Committee Fights Year-Old Problem

The Cooperator reporter at last Monday's joint meeting of the council with the committee chosen to oppose Community Manager Gobbel's discharge was informed by Councilman Morrison that "This thing has been brewing for a year. We've been holding it under cover and having closed meetings on it."

About sixty citizens hurriedly summoned by Mayor Bauer to a meeting in the town office first heard the news Sunday afternoon that Mr. Gobbel had been ordered by FPFA to resign or face charges of insubordination and inefficiency. Mr. Gobbel asserted to the group that these charges were based upon his refusal to go along with a contemplated program of cutting maintenance and public services, declaring that the underlying issue involved was the continuation of the principles upon which Greenbelt was founded.

Nominated from the floor at Sunday afternoon's meeting and instructed by the group to lay plans for fighting the proposed curtailment of the town budget was an 8-man committee consisting of Harry Rhodes, Francis J. Lastner, Anthony Madden, George Eshbaugh, David M. Granahan, Abraham Chasanow, Mrs. Lillian Mitchell and Eli DonBullian.

At Monday night's meeting the Manager asked for and received a pledge of 100% support from the Council, with Mayor Bauer speaking for the town fathers. The citizens committee telephoned FPFA Commissioner Philip Klutznick from the meeting who agreed to see them at his office yesterday afternoon at 4 p. m. to discuss the situation. Klutznick also informed the committee that Mr. Gobbel had been given an extension until February 18 to answer the charges leveled against him.

The committee elected Rhodes, former head of public works, as its chairman and prepared a petition now being circulated around town which urges FPFA to withdraw its charges against Gobbel because Greenbelt citizens believe he has performed his duties "with outstanding efficiency and ability."

Mayor Bauer stated that he first heard of the charges against Mr. Gobbel from Rhodes, who he met in the Center last Sunday forenoon, and that he regretted not having been able to contact a wider representation of local groups to attend the meeting.

Endorses Gobbel

The Town Council last Monday night passed a unanimous resolution endorsing and supporting the record made by James T. Gobbel as community and town manager, and requesting the FPFA to continue Mr. Gobbel as manager of Greenbelt. Copies of the resolution are being sent to the President of the United States, Wilson Wyatt, administrator of the National Housing Agency, to Commissioner Klutznick of the FPFA, to Maryland Senators Radcliffe and Tydings and Representative Sasser.

Greenbelt's hopes for a junior recreation building may have to be laid up in mothballs for the time being, according to a letter from the FPFA general field office which stated that FPFA will be glad to consider Greenbelt's request for the L-shaped demountable building set up at the Federal Housing demonstration center near Silver Spring when the buildings are declared surplus, but that granting of the request is contingent on the need for veterans' housing.

Mr. Gobbel reported that a "Welcome Home" sign would be put up on the wall of the administration building to honor the town's returning veterans.

Coy FPFA Officers Bounce Cooperator

"Freedom of the press" yesterday got a black eye, and a back-handed one at that, at the hands of FPFA officials. Despite previously-obtained permission from Field Director Oliver Winston for a Cooperator reporter to accompany "representative" citizens' and council committee members to the conference on the Gobbel charges held yesterday with FPFA Commissioner Philip Klutznick, the editor and a special reporter of the Cooperator were asked to leave the meeting before the committee presented its statement. Both ousted residents had made special trips to attend the meeting, one from Greenbelt and the other from the Pentagon building in Virginia. As far as could be ascertained, the visit was unproductive of any result besides a promise by Klutznick to meet with the group again after the hearing next Monday.

Mayor George Bauer, accompanied by Councilman John Cain, was spokesman for the municipal government, while Harry Rhodes headed a resident delegation from Sunday's meeting which included Abe Chasanow, Dave Granahan, Frank Lastner and Don O'Reilly. No objection was made to the presence at the meeting of citizen O'Reilly, a staff writer for the daily Washington Post.

Remodeling Plans Held Up By FPFA

The proposed remodeling of the Service Station has been delayed until some definite agreement has been reached with the Federal Public Housing Authority on GCS expansion plans, announced Merton Trast, public relations director, last week. Since the expansion plans may involve re-negotiation of the present lease arrangements, drastic changes have been postponed for the time being.

Free Dinner Goes With Cook Classes

All Greenbelters are invited to the first GCS cooking class sponsored by the education committee of GCS, to be held on the afternoon of Thursday, February 21, in the home economics room of the elementary school. Main menu items will be given away as door prizes, with the class sampling the remainder of the meal. Food will be supplied by GCS, while committee members will secure the necessary utensils.

Serving on the committee for the cooking school, in addition to Rachel Garner, who will preside, are Mrs. Theodore Taylor, Mrs. Herbert Hertz, Mrs. William J. Andrusic, Mrs. Joseph Kosisky, Dorothy Broadbent and Mrs. Harry Stage. Miss Broadbent and Mrs. Stage will be Miss Garner's chief assistants.

Members Only Treated For Week

The Greenbelt Health Association wishes to announce that only member-patients will be seen during the vacation of Dr. Hans Wodak, who plans to be away one week starting February 18 through 15. During Dr. Wodak's absence there will be no daytime office hours. Dr. Kettler will be in the office each evening between 7 p. m. and 8 p. m. Mrs. Jane Hunt will be in the office during regular hours to take phone calls, and the nurses will be on duty in the afternoons to give injections. Regular office schedule will be resumed on Monday, February 25.

Town Workers Air Views On Proposal

Most Greenbelters were unaware, up till Monday morning when the first story appeared in the "Post," that trouble was brewing between Community Manager Gobbel and the General Field Office of FPFA, under whose supervision the town has been operating since last August. Conversations between Cooperator staff members and harassed town officials reveal that the situation has been strained ever since the field office started sending out unrealistic "recommendations" on procedure and management, recommendations apparently arbitrarily decided upon by the field office with the stated objective of making Greenbelt's operational procedure conform with other FPFA-owned projects such as Calvert Homes, regardless of differences between the housing set-ups. Answers sent by Mr. Gobbel to the field office objecting to the recommendations on the grounds of their impracticability have been termed "insubordination," and led to Director Oliver Winston's demand last week that he resign, or be discharged for "inefficiency and non-cooperation." Upon an appeal by Gobbel to his congressman, Rep. Doughton of North Carolina, House Ways and Means chairman, his period of grace was extended from last Tuesday to Monday, February 18.

WINSTON'S WARNING

When called by the Cooperator Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Winston refused to comment on the statements published in the newspapers, citing them as "completely erroneous." He advised the Cooperator not to print anything until all the facts of the matter could be ascertained, adding that FPFA would present its facts "at the right time." Mr. Winston wished to assure Greenbelt that FPFA has "no intention of cutting services" and that "we are more interested in the community than you people think." He cited the current FPFA survey to improve the heating situation, which he termed extremely serious, as evidence of good faith and said that he based his judgment of the present town administration "on all sorts of facts" gathered on the spot. The surplus of \$300,000 cited by Manager Gobbel in the "Post" was referred to by Winston as a net return, not including amortization.

Manager Gobbel revealed at a press conference Tuesday morning that the town budget for the current year has not yet been approved by the field office, and that the local administration has been carrying on with irregular cash hand-outs since December. In one case this policy resulted in a badly-needed oil shipment being held up, Gobbel claimed.

SURVEY CAUSES CUTS

Frequent mention was made by administration officials to a report made by a FPFA survey team which visited Greenbelt for several days last June, upon whose recommendation numerous cuts in personnel have been ordered by the Washington office. Described as a former social service worker and an ex-secretary with approximately two years experience in Government work, the survey team interviewed each department, including Accounting, Public Works, Heating, Library, Recreation, and so on, later publishing reports which were sent to all department heads and to Mr. Gobbel.

According to Helena Knauer of the Recreation Department, which has reportedly been cut down to one director in the recommendation, "They only talked to Mr. Holochwest and me a short while and refused invitations to visit our classes."

Ex-Public Works head Harry Rhodes, chairman of the citizens committee to fight Gobbel's ouster, remarked, "When I got my copy of the survey I just pitched it up in the air. It was ridiculous. I have nothing against social case workers, but I feel that a more properly qualified person should have been chosen to survey an engineering department."

Librarian Reba Harris said, "She (referring to the feminine member of the team) just couldn't wait to get out of the library. We spent about 15 minutes going over my figures for previous years, then she went for comparative figures to the Department of Education and used some for the year 1938 which applied to libraries in outlying districts, some of them without full-time librarians in charge. According to American Library Association standards we should have two assistants for a town this size, besides a full-time librarian." Mrs. Harris understands the library staff is to be cut down to one.

CENTRAL OFFICE SILENT

"We have gone crazy replying to the recommendations of the central office, explaining why they wouldn't apply here, and so on," two town administration officials remarked at the press conference held with the Cooperator Tuesday afternoon. They added that the central office rarely replied to these memos, and that operations were consequently carried on in a haze of uncertainty.

When Mr. Gobbel first assumed his duties as manager, he stated, the services of a trained auditor were requested by him to bring up-to-date and simplify the bookkeeping end of his job. FPFA complied, paying an expert for a three-month survey which took approximately that much time again to put into effect. The auditor recommended an accounting staff of ten, also ordered with FPFA approval a tailor-made Burroughs bookkeeping machine. The survey team, on the basis of a two-day study and with little or no background knowledge of accounting or government fiscal operations said the accounting department could be cut down to two-and-one-half employees. The field office later ordered a switch-over to the National Cash Register system, not taking into account specialized headings that go on Greenbelt bills such as garage rent and furniture payments, and overlooking the expensive Burroughs machine which had been approved and ordered.

Gobbel also told the Cooperator reporters that he has documents showing that FPFA disregarded his reminder that 30 days notice be given the local cooperative in case of an outside business applying for entrance. Rhodes cited last summer's liquor store incident as an attempt to "break up" the co-op owned and operated by Greenbelt citizens and to throw the town open to exploitation by private interests.

On the subject of maintenance help, Gobbel said that he had been cut to a ceiling of 86 in December just as manpower was beginning to be more plentiful and forbidden to replace workers who resigned. He points out that the original 900 Greenbelt homes were serviced by more than 100 employees. In October, 1934 the ceiling was cut to 124, and in July, 1944 further reduced to 110. The five-day week has further hampered operation with a small staff.

As a direct result of these cut-backs, Gobbel stated, houses have not been redecorated on schedule, dwelling units have stood vacant far longer than they should, and all maintenance has suffered. This despite the fact that when the original rent maximums were raised in 1943 from \$41 to \$65, all maintenance services were provided for in the new budget. "You people have not been getting the services you are entitled to," said Mr. Gobbel.

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Editorially Speaking

Since last Sunday's announcement that the Federal Public Housing Authority had requested the resignation of Town Manager James Gobbel, a great deal of the resulting "Greenbelt ire" which hit the front page of Monday's paper has developed into a consuming Greenbelt curiosity as to just what's cooking behind the headlines. Keeping in mind that as yet no definite charges have been made public, and that no conclusion can be drawn till early next week, when official action of some sort will be taken, there are several considerations which should have presented themselves to the residents in the course of reading the contradictory newspaper accounts, and discussing the event with neighbors.

The first question is naturally, how come? The Co-operator's own investigations into the whole maintenance problem, which date much farther back than last Sunday, have during this week expanded into the sanctum of the Town Manager himself, with the result that at this time of writing the story is such a scramble of dire necessities, wartime shortages, governmental red-tape and misunderstandings all around that it would be hopelessly absurd if it were not so pathetically serious. Doubtless every town such as ours, every government agency, every person in authority has had difficulty in coping with the past emergency; it is not surprising that our own town and our own problems seem to us in Greenbelt more important and urgent than any others, and our own needs and difficulties are magnified accordingly. Whether Greenbelt's landlord has pursued a course of action made necessary by pressure of its private difficulties under a wartime economy, or whether the present situation is the result of an obstructionist policy adopted with no thought of the human elements involved, is the point that has to be cleared up before any stand can be taken.

A petition being circulated by the committee of citizens assembled Sunday asks that the charges against the manager be withdrawn; and while the facts are, as yet, not available, it would not appear to be quite just to place any official in a position where it is necessary to carry on business as nearly "as usual" as possible for the benefit of a community of human beings, and after deliberately hindering or ignoring his activities to charge him with either inefficiency or insubordination. The Council requested an expression of editorial opinion at their meeting Monday night, which was refused on the ground of insufficient information; with the hypothesis stated above as a starting-point, judgment on the whole case must necessarily wait upon further developments.

Nevertheless, we welcome the opportunity to state our position as far as Greenbelt itself is concerned. The idea behind Greenbelt existed long before the men who planned our town were born, and will survive regardless of what happens to this particular hunk of Maryland landscape. The writers who derisively call it "Utopia" cannot be aware of how near they come to the truth; Greenbelt's greatness lies not only in the possibilities it has offered to all who have come to live in the community, but also in its actual accomplishments. Out of worn-out tobacco fields and low-income families, Greenbelt has built a town of tomorrow whose advantages are apparent even to its detractors, and a citizenry new in the realization that they have something here worth fighting for together. Greenbelt today is more than a Government housing project, more than a model of community planning, more than a headache for bureaucrats. Greenbelt is people who have had a chance at decent living, neighborliness, and cooperation, and who see no reason why, if the present arrangement can't continue to give them what they want, they should not be allowed to get it for themselves.

Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints

Meetings for the week beginning Sunday, February 17, will be held at the usual time. Priesthood, Sunday, 9:30 a. m.; Sunday School, Sunday, 10:30 a. m.; Sacrament, Sunday, 7 p. m.; Relief Society,

Wednesday, 8:30 p. m., at 9-F Southway; Primary, Thursday, 4 p. m., at 9-J Southway.

The branch presidency is especially interested in having all members of the priesthood present at priesthood meeting, Sunday, to hear a message on ward teaching. The speaker for Sunday evening will be Archie Alger.

Methodists Meet Sunday Evening

Reverend Chester Craig will preach Sunday, February 17, at 8 p. m. The group will meet as usual at 7:45 p. m. for 15 minutes of singing. Mid-week prayer service will be held Thursday, February 21, at 8 p. m. at the Allen home, 19-U Ridge Road. The Adult Bible Class will meet at 10 a. m. Sunday morning in the Watson home, 16-K Ridge Road, instead of 11 a. m. as heretofore. A very cordial welcome is extended to all to attend these meetings.

Catholic Church

A new schedule of Sunday Masses at Berwyn, effective February 3, has been announced by the Rev. Leo J. Fealy, pastor of Holy Redeemer Parish, in order to take care of the overcrowding of Sunday Masses, particularly the late ones, by both Berwyn and Greenbelt residents.

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 11:45 at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. at 10-B Parkway in Greenbelt; Saturday at Berwyn from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Religious instruction for children is held every Tuesday at 3:30 p. m., 10-B Parkway.

Community Church

At the Community Church services next Sunday morning, the pastor, Rev. Wilmer P. Johnston, will preach on "The Vultures That Steal Heaven Out of Our Souls." The music will be furnished by a choir under the direction of Thomas B. Ritchie, with Mrs. Hester Neff presiding at the organ. James T. Gobbel.

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Mrs. Myron Zabriskie will be in the vestibule to receive the children whose parents wish to leave them in the nursery while they worship in the main auditorium.

The Church School will meet at 9:30 a. m. under the direction of Frederick D. Birchard. Ample provision is made for all children whose parents desire them to have training in Sunday School. There are four adult Bible classes, the Men's Bible Class, being taught by

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

of Greenbelt Consumer Services

Wednesday, February 27, 8:15, Auditorium

Election of 5 board members — decision on patronage returns — interest shares — reports — other important matters. The big meeting of the year.

CO-OP COOKING SCHOOL

Thursday, February 21, 2:30-4:30 p. m.

Home Ec. Room — Center School

Nursery service for your children during the school.

Everyone invited.

"THE SIGNIFICANCE OF GREENBELT"

Monday, February 25, 8:00 p. m., G.C.S. Office

A discussion meeting led by Walter R. Volckhausen, G.C.S. Board member and long time Greenbelt resident.

This meeting is held especially for employees, but everyone is welcome.

Greenbelt Consumer Services

Save—Buy Co-op

To The Editor

Dave Backs Gobbel

To my friends, I wish to clarify my position relative to the support of James Gobbel as Community Manager in the current efforts of the FPFA in removing him from office.

I am opposed to the demands and wishes of the General Field Office, FPFA, to reduce the ceiling of community employees, such as boiler firemen, painters, janitors, electricians, ground attendants, etc. We all know there are not enough firemen to keep the furnaces operating satisfactorily and there are not enough painters to even keep up the vacant houses, let alone houses not painted for five years (during the past five months, houses stood empty for a total of 10,676 days, due to shortage of painters). Similar conditions exist in relation to other above mentioned activities. The Field Office also wants town services such as public library, kindergarten, recreation, social service reduced or even abolished; it is not necessary to go into detail in explaining how this would affect us. Mr. Gobbel has opposed the FPFA objectives above, for our welfare; and now faces dismissal mainly for not "cooperating." It is for this reason that I am supporting him by serving on the committee appealing his dismissal.

The philosophy on which Greenbelt was created must not be changed, in fact it should be strengthened. Is there anything "country club" about having a library, playgrounds, kindergarten, hedges and lawns; heat in our homes; fresh, clean painted walls; and last but not least a consumer cooperative owned and operated by the citizens? (It was this same field office that last summer disregarded the Greenbelt Consumer Services' lease for commercial services and brought the question of a private liquor store before the Council, notwithstanding the fact that they had already been informed of the lease provisions by Mr. Gobbel).

—DAVID GRANAHAN
President,
Greenbelt Citizens' Assn.

Be A Good Egg

There is a saying, "Compare, comparison proves." Once there was talk about comparing prices of the co-op with other stores of the same class. Whatever happened to that survey? What would such a survey show?

When paying for grade "A" eggs a person pays for quality and grade and I believe that there should not be blood-spotted or otherwise spoiled eggs among such eggs. When I complained about finding bad eggs quite frequently, I was told, "It's peculiar that no one else complains." It may be that the laws of chance are working so that I get all the bad ones, but I don't believe that. So how about co-op shoppers being good eggs and returning all rotten eggs to the Food Store Manager or General Manager.

Bottles brought back return a penny each. Eggs cost 4 pennies apiece, the approximate patronage return on a ninety-cent sale.

—DAVID REZNIKOFF

Help GM Strikers

Collections for the families of General Motors Strikers have been going on all over our town, but without much publicity. I think it is time to wake up and realize that many strikers' families have been without an income for about

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Hi Victory Raises

Tourney Hopes

Before the largest crowd to witness a high school basketball game, two of the best and closest games were played with our home town teams taking both games from Hyattsville last Friday night. The Grizzlettes started out in front with a 5-point lead before the Hilltop gals scored. Several times through the game the score was knotted up but with the stellar offensive play of Wolfe and Loftus our local hopes were kept out in front to win by the score of 28-26.

In the final game of the evening our boys had quite a difficult job to perform as Hyattsville stepped out with a good early lead. After the second half got underway they displayed a different and more confident team, and were able to overtake their opponents with the outstanding play of Bob Fisher coupled with a fine game by Teddy Fox and Bob Scott. The final verdict was 32-31, a very encouraging victory for Greenbelt, as it should earn them an invitation to the coming Metropolitan Star Tournament.

New Orientation Classes Started

Ten new employees were enrolled on February 5 in the orientation classes for new employees of GCS. A one-hour session was held on the subject of "How and Why of Greenbelt Consumer Services, and Cooperative Principles," with Merton Trast, personnel director, leading the discussion.

The class this week was the first in a series of five discussions to be held every Tuesday. The management wishes to make every employee familiar with the cooperative and its purposes, in an endeavor to aid employee-customer relations.

three months in order to get what they think and believe is a square deal. Right or wrong, they are our fellow Americans, and we should help feed them as well as the hungry people in Europe. Come on fellow Greenbelters—dig in your pockets! I am sure you can find a dollar left over from your meager government check. And it is not too late—the need is still urgent.

—HANS JORGENSEN

Mike Cleans House

In answer to the letter to the Editor in last week's issue by Michael Burchick entitled "Unclean, Unclean," we appreciate the suggestion made relative to consideration for the Northend in the matter of fresh luncheon meats for the Northend Food Store. Mike Watson, the new manager, has taken care of the matter promptly as one of his first duties, and we feel certain he will continue to improve the Northend Store in every way. We suggest you get acquainted with him and we know he will be pleased to have other suggestions.

The idea of changing the magazines on the lower shelf of the magazine rack in the Tobacco Store and eliminating some is an excellent idea. This has been done.

—MERTON J. TRAST,
Director of Public Relations
Greenbelt Consumer Services

Women's Bowling

Swinging into the first week of February the Robots are still leading the league after losing two to the Atomics. The winners had Hunter with a 106 game while Dennard with a 105, Waldo with a 112, Walker with a 310 set and Sansone with a 100 game for the losers could not overcome the handicap of 18 pins. Again there were three game winners with the Commandos taking over the Deuces having Meriam rolling a 115 game for the winners; the No-Names came to life with Bradley shooting 114 and 128 games coupled with Griffins' 108 game to knock off the Anchors even with Timmons' 104 game; and the Widgets leveled off with games by Hardin of 116, Schnittker of 109 and Bushman of 125 to take over the Rioteers who had Slaughter rolling a 113 game. The other games ended in a two-and-one split with the Allies topping the G. I's with Holmes tossing a 109 game for the losers; the Co-op defeated the Triflers even though Blanchard shot a 311 set; the Pioneers out ahead of the Raiders with McWilliams tipping the maples for a 113 game for the winners and Coulter with a 102 game for the losers; and those Zombies came up again with a 112 game by Kosatka to knock off the Bombers.

Men's Bowling

Well, on Tuesday, February 5, many changes and upsets occurred in this fast-moving league as the leading Legionnaires dropped two games to the Scorpions with Ramsdell rolling a 338 set for the winners and Lastner shooting a 342 set for the losers. The Rummys moved up a little closer towards the lead by taking two from the Redskins, with Birdseye turning in a 346 set for the winners. The Eagles remained in third place, though dropping three to the Aces in some very close contests. The Seahawks made a clean sweep of the Piddlers with Morgan having a 341 set and Alexander a 351 set for the winners. The other odd game winners were the Commandos, with Allen shooting a 123 game to overcome the Co-op; the Southeast Glass, with A. Bowman having a 332 set along with E. Trumbules' 325 set, outdistanced the spoilers who had C. Bowen with a 351 set and C. Dunbar with a 136 game; the Pickups with home new talent took the odd game from the Emanon though Maffay had a 332 set for the losers; and the Defenders knocked off the Greenhorns though Desberger had a 338 set for the losers.

Holy Redeemer Hop At Armory Tonight

The Valentine Dance sponsored by the Mother's Club of the Holy Redeemer School of Berwyn and Greenbelt is being held tonight at the Hyattsville Armory. Van Camp's Cavaliers will furnish the music from 10 until 1. Mrs. James Mitchell and Mrs. Joseph Macchio are dance co-chairmen.

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Greenbelt Consumer Services

SHOP CO-OP AND SAVE

Cagers Lose Twice

Greenbelt slipped down a bit in the Heurich Women's Basketball League last week, losing two out of the three games played. Transportation Corps beat the local girls 27-20 last Monday night. Ora Donoghue and Ibby Butler shared high-score honors with 8 apiece, but couldn't keep pace with the fast-stepping TC team.

Greenbelt came out on top, 33-29, in a rough-and-tumble game played Sunday afternoon with O'Donnell's Grill. A basket-for basket game almost all the way, guards Knauer, Linhardt, Asher and DeVecchia held down O'Donnell's in the last quarter to give Greenbelt the winning margin. Ora Donoghue put 'em in fast and heavy, ringing up a total individual score of 23 points.

The Marines trounced the locals last Friday night to the tune of 38-27, making a good start by dropping in nine baskets in the first quarter to make the score 18-0, and remaining undaunted despite several Greenbelt rallies in the second half of the game.

Both men's and women's basketball games are held each Sunday afternoon and Monday and Friday nights at the Takoma Park Firehouse. Everyone is invited.

Athletic Club Bingo

The Greenbelt Athletic Club is having another of its popular Bingos at their clubhouse on Saturday, February 16, at 8:30 sharp. The list of prizes includes a 14-lb. ham, 12-lb. slab of bacon, large Cannon towels, a child's table and chairs (all metal), large table lamp, the new Reynolds fountain pen, single and double burner portable electric stoves, large electric heaters and numerous other desirable prizes. Two large Cannon towels will be given away at 9 p. m. sharp as a door prize. Members, their friends and neighbors and others who would like to spend an enjoyable evening playing Bingo are invited. Refreshments will be available during the Bingo.

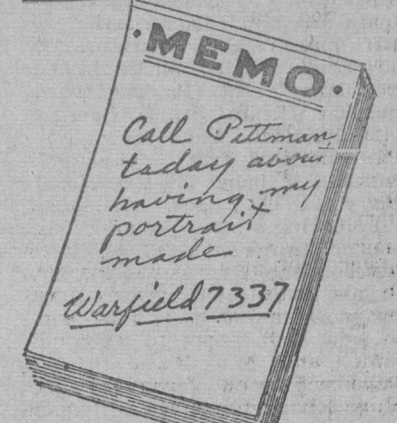
Rambling Rec Back

The Recreation Department announces the re-appointment of Ben

Goldfaden as assistant director. Ben returns to his old job after 2 years with the Navy. His duties here will include supervision of the Drop-Inn, high school Tuesday recreation nights, softball and tennis coaching.

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Sherrod East, host to Lyman Woodman, came in for a short intensive drill in small-bore rifle marksmanship at the rifle match last Friday, which left him a confirmed addict to horsemanship.

Zella Marie Bryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan A. Bryan, 2-E Northway Road, was discharged from the U. S. Naval Personnel Separation Center last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ausmus of 7-H Laurel Hill announce the birth of a girl, Marlene, born February 4 at Prince Georges General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Borsky, 19-A Plateau Place, are the proud parents of a baby girl, born February 5.

Following a sudden illness, Postmaster George Bryant has been in the hospital the past week. Mrs. Bryant states that he is much better now and hopes to be home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Schwab, Takoma Park, announce the birth of a son and first child, Stephen Verne, on Saturday, February 9. The young couple both attended Greenbelt high school. Mrs. Schwab is the former Mary Louise Lemire.

Mrs. Alvane Waldeck of Savannah, Georgia, who recently visited her daughter Mrs. Leah Waldeck, 10-D Parkway, celebrated her 94th birthday on January 27 and was given a big write-up in her hometown paper. Mrs. Waldeck was "not a bit tired" after her 700 mile auto trip to Greenbelt, which she admired very much.

Catholic Retreat

Catholic women of Greenbelt will make their annual one-day retreat under the sponsorship of Our Lady of Sorrows Sodality on Sunday, March 3, at the Washington Retreat House, 4000 Harewood Road, N. E.

Father William Graham, headmaster of Gonzaga high school, will conduct the retreat, which will begin at 10 a. m. and continue until 4 p. m. All retreatants will receive Holy Communion. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Frank McConnell, of 73-A Ridge Road, retreat captain, or at Holy Redeemer rectory in Berwyn.

Legion Auxiliary

The American Legion Auxiliary of Greenbelt entertained the Southern Maryland District Auxiliary on Thursday evening, February 7, in the home-making rooms of the Elementary School here. Among the 108 guests were Mrs. Bobbie Troupe, department president; Mrs. Harlan Johnson, department secretary; Mrs. Norman Horne, national committee-woman from Maryland, and many other notables of the State. Mrs. Ada L. Riley, president of Greenbelt Unit, opened the meeting and turned it over to Mrs. Anne Plumley, vice-president of Southern Maryland.

The next District meeting will be held at Takoma Park on April 4. All members here are cordially invited to attend.

Local Scout Group May Lose Center

District Organization No. 1 of the Girl Scouts, of which Mrs. Lloyd Nelson is chairman, met recently at the home of the chairman to discuss various problems facing the leaders and parents interested in Scouting.

Several of the troop leaders reported that their Scouts had filled boxes for the Seamens Church Institute at Christmas time and were receiving letters of appreciation from many of the men. Another troop made 600 napkin rings for patients at Glendale sanitarium, 500 for the patients and 100 for their families.

Members of the organization were very concerned to hear that if the child care center was disbanded it would undoubtedly mean that the Scouts would lose the use of their room. Since last year Scouts have had the use of a room in the basement of the child care center due to the cooperation of the two organizations. Leaders stated that they felt it would be impossible to carry on with the Scouting program if they lost the use of the room.

Girl Scouts Need Trained Leaders

Mrs. Harry Rhodes, chairman of the training committee for Girl Scouts, announces that a training course will be held for anyone in the community who is interested in working with Girl Scouts or Brownies. The classes are free and will start Tuesday, February 19, at 7:30 p. m. in room 224 at the center school. A teacher from Prince Georges County Girl Scout headquarters in Hyattsville will teach the course.

AVC Meets Monday

The next regular meeting of the AVC will be held Monday night at the elementary school. Subsequent meetings will be held on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

Sophomores Dance

The sophomore class of the Greenbelt High School held its first class dance Saturday, February 8, in the multi-purpose room, the first time the new addition has been used for such an affair. Miss Rebecca Larmore, faculty advisor, and principal John Speicher acted as chaperones. The music was furnished by a four-piece orchestra which played til 11 p. m. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served.

Marital Institute

The program for the next meeting of the Institute of Successful Marriage is "Parents and Children: Which are Delinquent?" The speaker is Dr. Francis McPeck and the meeting will be conducted by Judge Walter Green, former police court juvenile judge of Prince Georges County. The meeting starts promptly at 8 p. m. in the auditorium of the Administration Building of the University of Maryland.

Monday Visitors

Monday was visiting day for the center school, with Dr. Gerald Craig, educator and author; Grace Alder, State Superintendent of Elementary Schools; and Mrs. Catherine Reed, county supervisor, among the many people who visited the school to observe classes. Dr. Craig made especial comment on the happy atmosphere in which the children of Greenbelt live and study.

Co-op Bus Schedule Changes

First morning bus leaves Center at 6:30 instead of 6:10 a. m.
Last bus in evening leaves Center at 11:00 p. m.

Greenbelt Consumer Services

Drive Nets \$810

The drive for funds to fight infantile paralysis has netted \$810.42 to date, report Jack Fruchman of the theatre and Mrs. Lloyd Nelson of the Woman's Club, co-chairmen of the drive. The Center School collected \$66.10, North End School \$42.94, the High School \$116.61, the Theatre \$296.70, all other collections in the Community \$288.07. Several organizations have not turned in their donations as yet so the fund will be larger.

The chairmen wish to thank all organizations and individuals who participated in collecting the funds, with particular thanks to the Girl Scouts, Brownies and Cubs who canvassed the Commu-

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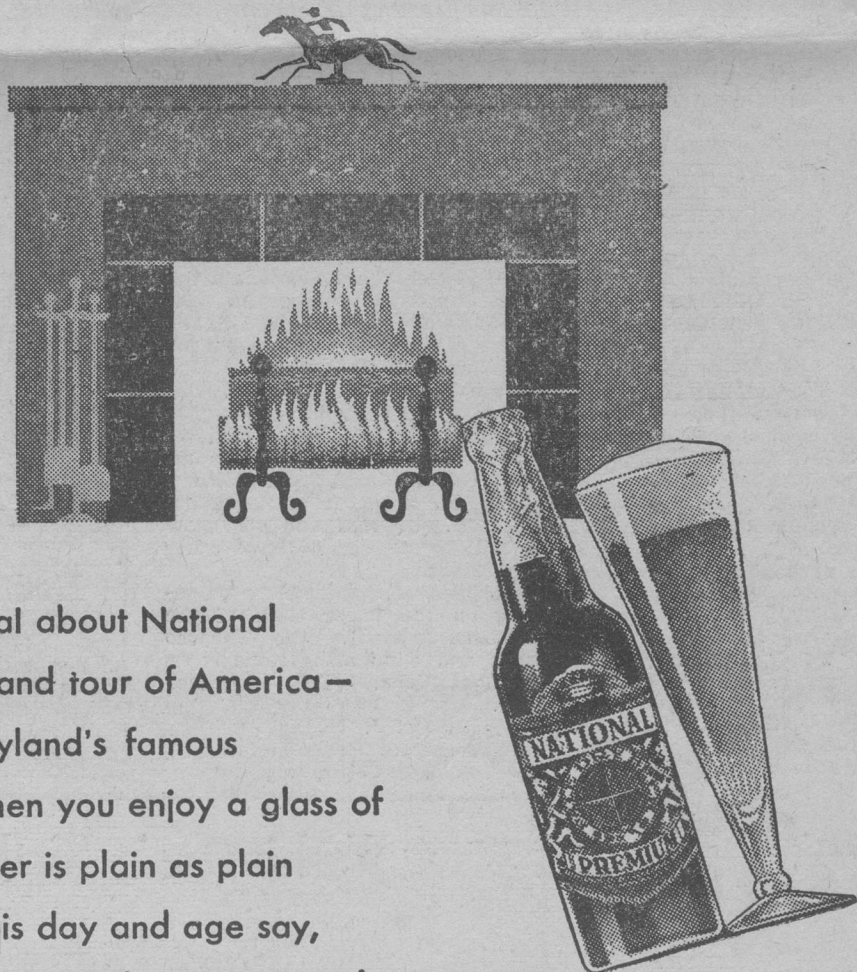
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